Minutes of the Economic Development Commission held at 8:30 A.M., on Thursday, March 20, 2014.

Members Present: First Selectman Freda, Richard LoPresti, Frank Maher, Deborah Moore,

Radha Prasad, Stephen Gifford, Alan Sturtz, Marc Olins

Members Absent: Walter Mann

### **MINUTES**

Chairman LoPresti asked for approval of the Minutes of the Regular meeting held on February 27, 2014. Mr. Maher moved their acceptance, seconded by Mr. Sturtz.

VOTE: LoPresti -Yes Maher - Yes Gifford - Yes

Freda - Yes Moore - Yes Sturtz - Yes

Olins – Yes Prasad - Yes

#### **EDC BREAKFAST**

The breakfast will be at The Best Western on Thursday April 10, 2014. Mr. LoPresti asked if commission members had any suggestions on speakers as some of our original suggestions may not work out. Members suggested having Rockville Bank, the owners of the Washington Avenue Plaza and a representative from the State of CT Economic Development or Small Business Development.

## **COMMISSION UPDATE**

Mr. Sturtz has spoken with Mail-A-Map concerning the development of a North Haven map. Mr. Sturtz will get an example of the map and bring it to the next meeting.

Mr. LoPresti said that there is a waiting list for elderly housing. He is looking into the property behind the Temple Pines which is owned by the Housing Authority for possible development.

Mr. Olins said he is working with Mr. Freda on the next steps on how to proceed with the Foundation.

## M. FREDA UPDATE

Mr. Freda gave an update on the various economic development projects he is working on. Cinemark will begin construction of a new theater on Universal Drive this spring. The Rabina property (former P&W site) will be cleaned up and all the rubble removed. They will also begin deconstructing the P&W building and should be shovel-ready by the summer. Mr. Freda said that there are many ongoing projects and once they have been confirmed, he will report on them.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Maher suggested that the Commission take a tour of all available properties in North Haven. He said he will look into getting a vehicle/bus for the Commission members to visit the sites.

The June 26<sup>th</sup> EDC meeting will take place at Quinnipiac University.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for April 24<sup>th</sup> at **8:30 a.m.** 

There being no further business before the Commission, Mr. Sturtz moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:20AM, seconded by Mr. Prasad.